

Docket No.: 50395-084

PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Tomohiro ISHIHARA, et al.

Serial No.: 09/763,025

Group Art Unit: 1731

Filed: February 16, 2001

Examiner: J.M. Hoffmann

For:

METHOD OF PRODUCING GLASS ARTICLE AND GLASS BASE MATERIAL FOR

**OPTICAL FIBER** 

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME APR 2 2 7003

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated December 18, 2002, now due to expire March 18, 2003, be extended for one month(s) and set to expire on April 18, 2003.

Please charge the extension fee of \$110.00 to Deposit Account No. 500417. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.

Respectfully submitted,

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